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Dear Ms. Salas,

Enclosed is an original and four copies of a Petition for Rule Making to amend the FM table of allotments for a new FM broadcast station for Flagstaff, Arizona.

Sincerely,

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ORIGINAL RECEIVED MAR - 3 1999 Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION PEDSON COMMENCATIONS COMMISSION Washington, DC 20554 In the matter of: Amendment of Section 73.202 (b) RM-**Table of Allotments FM Broadcast Stations** (Flagstaff, Arizona)

PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

In this petition, Mountain West Broadcasting is hereby requesting to allot channel 279C3 (103.7 Mhz) to Flagstaff, Arizona as its fifth local FM allotment.

INTRODUCTION

This statement is a petition for rule making to allot FM channel 279C3 (103.7 Mhz) to Flagstaff and add it to the Commission's FM table of allotments, The following will show the need for an FM channel and the effects the 73.202. allotment of Channel 279C3 to Flagstaff will have.

DISCUSSION

Flagstaff is located in North Central Arizona. It is also located within 2. Coconino County, a county of some 96,591 persons. Flagstaff has a population of 45,857 persons in accordance with the U.S. 1990 census.

- 3. The allotment of channel 279C3 to Flagstaff will provide the fifth local FM broadcast facility to the community and/or the surrounding area. The closest FM allotment to Flagstaff is located at Sedona, Arizona. Sedona is located 18 kilometers from Flagstaff.
- 4. Flagstaff would benefit from an additional FM allotment due to the fact there is no other FM broadcast facilities within 18 Kilometers of Flagstaff. Because of this, it would have an additional outlet for local self expression. Health and safety for the community would be increased due to having an additional communications outlet for warning the Flagstaff area of emergency conditions caused by severe weather or other health hazards.
- 5. Channel 279C3 can be allotted to Flagstaff and meet all rules and requirements of the Commission. The instant proposal will not cause a change in the channel number or a deletion of any channel now appearing in the Commission's table of allotments 73.202.

Present Proposed

Flagstaff, Arizona 225C,230C,248C,261C2 - 225C,230C,248C,

261C2,279C3

6. In accordance with 73.207 of the Commission's rules, "Minimum Distance Separations between Stations", all allotments on Channel 279C3 and the pertinent adjacent channels to 279C3 have been studied with the results listed in Figure 1 of this petition. The geographic coordinates used for the spacing

Study (N 35 - 17' - 19", W. 111 - 38' - 26") are that of a site located 10.6 kilometers north of the community of Flagstaff. A site restriction of 10.6 kilometers north will be required to allot channel 279C3 to Flagstaff. Many suitable transmitter sites are available to provide city grade coverage (3.16 mv/m or 70 dbu) to the entire community of Flagstaff. These sites would also provide full minimum spacing requirements to other allotments.

CONCLUSION

- 7. It has been shown that Flagstaff would benefit from the allotment of channel 279C3. It has also been shown that channel 279C3 can be allotted to Flagstaff and meet all rules regarding spacing from other stations. Considering these two facts, Mountain West Broadcasting hereby requests that the Federal Communications Commission institute a Rule Making proceeding to amend the Table of Allotments to include channel 279C3 for Flagstaff, Arizona, 73.202.
- 8. Should channel 279C3 be allotted to Flagstaff, I certify that I will file an application for a Construction Permit to operate an FM station for Flagstaff, Arizona.

CERTIFICATION

9. I certify that I have prepared or directly supervised the preparation of this entire Petition for Rule Making, and that the facts contained within are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, accurate and true.

Dated:

March 1, 1999

Respectfully submitted,

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MAPFM search of channel 279C3 (103.7 MHz), at N. 35 17 19, W. 111 38 26.

Searching Channel 279C3 (103.7			MHz):							
CALL	CITY		ST	CHN	CL	S	DIST	SEPN	BRNG	CLEARANCE
ALC	Flagstaff		ΑZ	225	С	U	37.5	31.0	161.0°	6.5
KAFFFM	Flagstaff		ΑZ	225	С	L	37.5	31.0	161.0°	6.5
K276CF	Flagstaff		AZ	276	D	L	6.0	0.0	152.0°	6.0
ALC	Seligman		ΑZ	277	Α	U	112.3	42.0	272.2°	70.3
KZKE	Seligman		AZ	277	Α	L	102.4	42.0	272.2°	60.4
ALC	Glendale		ΑZ	278	С	U	201.5	176.0	201.4	25.5
KWCY	Glendale		ΑZ	278	C	C	207.0	176.0	204.7°	31.0
KWCY	Glendale		ΑZ	278	С	L	207.0	176.0	204.7°	31.0
KTHR	Grants		NM	279	C	L	309.6	237.0	86.3°	72.6
KTHR	Grants		NM	279	C	A	309.6	237.0	86.3°	72.6
ALC	Chino Valley		ΑZ	280	C3	U	99.3	99.0	231.3°	0.3
K280BU	Flagstaff		ΑZ	280	D	L	6.7	0.0	143.2°	6.7
K280DB	Camp Verde		ΑZ	280	D	L	79.7	0.0	213.0°	79.7
KPBZ	Chino Valley		AZ	280	C3	L	102.9	99.0	231.8°	3.9
ALC	Payson		\mathbf{AZ}	282	C	U	119.9	96.0	165.3°	23.9
KBZG	Payson		ΑZ	282	С	L	96.1	96.0	172.6°	0.0

FIGURE 1 FLAGSTAFF, ARIZONA MOUNTAIN WEST BROADCASTING